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## Willem-Alexander sworn in as Dutch king



Dutch King Willem-Alexander, Queen Maxima and members of the royal household during the inauguration for King Willem-Alexander of the Netherlands at Nieuwe Kerk (New Church) in Amsterdam on April 30, 2013.

AMSTERDAM (AFP) - The Netherlands' Willem-Alexander became Europe's youngest monarch on Tuesday after his mother, queen Beatrix, abdicated and his country greeted their first king in 120 years with a massive orange-hued party.

Beatrix, 75, shed a tear before signing the act of abdication at the Royal Palace in Amsterdam, witnessed by Willem-Alexander, 46, his Argentine-born Queen Max-

ima, 41, and members of the government.

A cry went up from the 25,000-strong crowd in the Dam, the main square opposite the palace where the signing was shown on giant screens.

Willem-Alexander, Maxima and Beatrix appeared in front of the crowds on the palace balcony, bedecked with roses and oranges -- the symbol of the royal house -- before heading for the en-

thronement ceremony in the neighbouring Nieuwe Kerk.

Beatrix accompanied the king and queen's three daughters to the church, including their eldest, now Princess of Orange Catharina-Amalia, nine.

The Dutch monarch is sworn in before a joint session of the houses of parliament in the deconsecrated church, rather than crowned, because church and royalty are separated in The Netherlands.

Before taking his oath, the

king thanked his "dear mother" for the "many beautiful years during which she was our queen".

"I'm treading in your footsteps. I have a clear vision of my office. But no one knows what the future brings," he said.

"Wherever that path leads and however far it goes, I will carry your wisdom and warmth with me," he said.

Willem-Alexander is the first Dutch king since 1890

and the first of a new wave of relatively youthful European monarchs.

While Beatrix was known for her formal court, Willem-Alexander has already said that he will not be a "protocol fetishist".

A star-studded rendition of the Koningslied was broadcast live from Rotterdam and watched by the royal family on the banks of the IJ river, behind Amsterdam's train station, just before sunset.

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## Aruba celebrates their new monarchs, HRM King Willem-Alexander and Queen Maxima



Photo at left: 101 gun salute and at right: Island dignitaries toasting the new king



Inspection of the Guard



Lt Governor Ella Tromp Yazagary

One of the most anticipated holidays of the year, Queen's Day, had a rousing farewell, as Arubans and citizens throughout the Kingdom of the Netherlands enjoyed their last, at least for a few decades. Tuesday, April 30, Dutch citizens welcomed a new monarch whose ascension to the throne will change both the name and date of the holiday to "King's Day," observed on his birthday, April 27.

Aruba's Prime Minister Mike Eman and the First Lady, Doina, along with Governor Fredis Refunjol, the appointed royal representative on Aruba, were in Hol-

land attending the inaugural ceremony of HRM King Willem-Alexander and his wife, now HRM Queen Maxima. For the first time since 1890, and the ascension of Queen Wilhelmina, Holland has a king at the helm with a spouse taking the title of Queen.

As tradition demands, the very rare 101 Imperial Gun Salute was performed in Oranjestad on Tuesday morning at 9:30 a.m. at Governor's Beach, simultaneously with all other Dutch Caribbean islands. Church bells across Aruba and the other islands also rang in a coordinated,

collaborative welcome. Commandant of the Royal Dutch Marine Camp at Savaneta, Lt. Colonel Edwin Hofma, welcomed Aruba's Lt. Governor, Ella Tromp-Yzagary in stead of Governor Refunjol, for the ritual inspection of the Honor Guard, which normally takes place on the holiday.

Commandant Hofma explained the rare 101-gun salute is only performed at such occasions as the ascension to the throne and the birth of an Heir Apparent. The last time was when

Princess Catharina-Amalia Beatrix Carmen Victoria was born in 2003. The official 101-gun salute was divided into three circumstances, beginning at 9:30 a.m. with 33 cannon shots over the harbor. Another 33 shots were repeated at 12 noon, and 35 shots were fired at 3:00 p.m., allowing all enthusiastic supporters of the new monarch to enjoy the ritual, even if they were not early risers.

Lt. Governor Tromp-Yzagary expressed the joy and respect of the Aruban

people in welcoming their new monarch, who has visited the island a number of times over the years, and will soon return to greet his subjects.

The salute was followed by champagne toast by various island ministers and parliamentarians, accompanied by their spouses, welcoming HRMS King Willem-Alexander and Queen Maxima on behalf of all Arubans.

A full day of festivities followed.

By Rosalie Klein

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orange to welcome the new king.

It was here that Aruba joined a concerted effort in Holland and all the Dutch territories by having young choral groups perform the "Koningslied," (King's Song,) specially composed for the ascension to the throne of HRM King Willem-Alexander.

John Ewbank, a well-known Dutch composer, lyricist and record producer, composed the song for the investiture; over 50

belline Arends-Croes, accompanied by the orchestra of the Rufo Wever Music School, under Johnny Croes, precisely at 1:30 PM. For those who missed the event, it can be seen on Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WPSHR1ym55A>.

The festivities in the Plaza Turismo began at noon, with food booths offering island food and beverages, and continued long after the presentation of the King's Song. This is the day when Arubans dust off anything orange residing in their closet, celebrating the Royal House of Orange-Nassau, and many were garbed not only in the memorial tee shirts, but orange hats, bracelets, shoes and face makeup, to show their unity with the monarchy. The celebration lasted until 11 pm, with the annual



well-known Dutch musicians and singers joined together to record it. it was performed on Aruba by the Tutti-Frutti and Melange Choral groups under the direction of May-

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Many traditional festive events took place all around Aruba at various neighborhood centers on Tuesday, April 30, for the transition to a new Dutch monarch. The most spectacular, however, was the official celebration at Aruba's new Plaza Turismo in Oranjestad, with islanders turning out up to their ears in

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## Paseo Herencia provides a taste of orange for island visitors



culture; its halls are filled with various exhibition informing on many aspects of the past and present. It also has a tradition of offering island visitors and residents special programs during national holidays, and the rare occasion of an new monarch ascending to the throne brought out mall executives in performers in their best orange colored dress, as well as many members of the audience.

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Iconic island music was performed by Brisas Tropical, accompanying the Youth in Action doing folkloric dance numbers. MC Jimmy Tromp, General Manager Valerie Pietersz-Camacho and Marketing and Community Events Manager Candy Rasmijn-Reino demonstrated what patriotism and devotion to the crown was all about, sporting

bright orange garb.

The amphitheater of the Plaza Padu providing comfortable seating for a large audience who came to enjoy

the festivities under the stars. Diners at the many open-air restaurants circling the center of the mall also enjoyed a show with their dinner, as

well as the opportunity to stroll the strand and peruse the offerings of the dozens of quality stores along Paseo Herencia's halls.

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## '4Real'?, New Zealand reveals banned baby names

WELLINGTON (AFP) - New Zealand officials on Wednesday released a list of baby names put forward by parents that were rejected because they were too bizarre or offensive, including "Lucifer" and "Mafia No Fear".

The list of 77 names reveals one child was set to be called "Anal" before the Department of Internal Affairs vetoed the proposal, while another narrowly avoided being dubbed "." or full stop.

Other names on the list included "4Real", "V8", and "Queen Victoria".

In some cases, parents appeared to have lost any inspiration for coming up with a moniker for their offspring, wanting to call the latest addition to the family simply "2nd", "3rd" or "5th".

The department's rules forbid any name that might imply a child holds an official title or rank, so "King", "Duke" and "Princess" were among those that had been turned down most since 2001.

"Justice" was the most popular, having been rejected 62 times, although "Justus" and "Juztice" also failed to gain official approval.

In 2008, New Zealand's family court ordered that a nine-year-old girl whose parents had called her "Talula Does The Hula From Hawaii" should have her name changed because it was embarrassing and "makes a fool of the child".

At the time, judge Rob Murfitt criticised parents who gave their children bizarre names, citing examples such as "Number 16 Bus Shelter", "Midnight Chardonnay" and twins called "Benson" and "Hedges".

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## San Francisco birders visit Aruba



During his regular trips through Aruba's National Arikok Park, Greg Peterson, president of Aruba Birdlife Conservation, was wowed to stop by the chauffeur of a luxurious tour van. Tour guide Amador Lacle was on a birding tour with guests from as far away as San Francisco's Bay Area. Amador wanted to introduce his guests to Greg Peterson, also known as Aruba's birdman and the birders had some questions.

In the van were 4 people, two couples, Mr. and Mrs. Gonzalez and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas, all from San Francisco. The ladies were avid bird photographers and travelled to Aruba from so far to capture some of Aruba's beautiful birds.

There was this one very beautiful yellow bird, which they wanted to identify. It was Aruba's Yellow Oriole or Gonzalito as locals know it.

Peterson commented that he was extremely happy to

have met these visiting bird photographers. They prove the point that there is so much beauty in Aruba and that such visiting bird photographers who make such a special effort to travel to Aruba for our birds may one day help stimulate nature conservation in Aruba.

Photo depicts the couple Gonzalez and the couple Douglas from San Francisco Bay Area, accompanied by Greg Peterson.

## Three charged with Boston bombing cover-up

BOSTON, Massachusetts (AFP) - Three 19-year-old students -- two Kazakhs and an American -- were charged Wednesday with covering up for the suspected Boston marathon bombers, the US Justice Department said.

Dias Kadyrbayev and Azamat Tazhayakov were accused of conspiring to destroy a laptop and backpack containing fireworks belonging to the suspected bombers.

Robel Phillipos, an American, was charged with making false statements to law enforcement officials.

Kadyrbayev and Tazhayakov, Kazakh nationals in the United States on a student visa, face a maximum sentence of five years in

prison and \$250,000 fine, the Justice Department said.

Phillippos faces up to eight years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

Boston police earlier announced the trio's arrests in the investigation of the April 15 bombings near the finish line of the Boston Marathon, which killed three people and wounded more than 260.

One of two ethnic Chechens, 19-year-old student Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, is already in custody and has been charged with carrying out the bombing.

His brother, 26-year-old Tamerlan Tsarnaev, was killed on April 18 during the manhunt for the pair.

## Obama may appoint new Guantanamo envoy

WASHINGTON (AFP) - President Barack Obama is considering appointing a new senior State Department official to work out how to transfer detainees to permit the closure of the war-on-terror prison at Guantanamo Bay.

The White House said Wednesday that Obama would consider the measure as part of the new effort to close the controversial facility that he promised during a press conference on Tuesday.

But the administration also made clear that it would not be able to achieve the closure of the prison in Cuba while Congress continues to throw up obstacles.

With most of the remaining 166 inmates at Guantanamo Bay now on hunger strike, Obama said on Wednesday that the camp was no longer sustainable and was not in America's national security interests.

But he also condemned Congress for thwarting plans to bring inmates to the US mainland and for imposing funding constraints which are making it more difficult to transfer detainees who have been cleared for release abroad.

Obama ordered the closure of Guantanamo Bay within a year when he took office in 2009, and his failure to do so remains a blight on his administration.

Out of 166 inmates held at the prison on the remote US naval base in southeastern Cuba, 100 are now on hunger strike, according to the Wednesday's latest tally from military officers.

Of those, 23 detainees are being fed through nasal tubes.

Obama has long argued for prosecuting enemy combatants in civilian courts and transferring those cleared of wrongdoing to their home countries.

But a majority of lawmakers, particularly Republicans, have insisted the jail should stay open, that the detainees are too dangerous to hold on the US mainland and that the suspects should only be tried before military tribunals.

## Bolivia announces expulsion of USAID

LA PAZ (AFP) - President Evo Morales announced Wednesday the expulsion of USAID from Bolivia, accusing the US development agency of meddling in the country's internal affairs.

In a fiery speech to workers on May Day, the leftist president of South America's poorest country said the US Agency for International Development was in Bolivia "for political purposes, not social ones."

"No more USAID, which manipulates and uses our leaders," Morales said in the address in La Paz's Plaza de Armas.

He did not specify exactly how he felt the US agency was interfering in Bolivian affairs. USAID has operated in the Andean nation since 1964.

Morales, a populist and Bolivia's first indigenous president, has been in power

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## Israel PM: root of Palestinian conflict not territory

JERUSALEM (AFP) - Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Wednesday that an Israeli withdrawal would not bring peace with the Palestinians because the heart of the conflict was their refusal to recognise Israel as a Jewish state.

His remarks came a day after the Arab League announced moves to revive and modify its 2002 peace initia-

tive, drawing praise from Washington and Israel's chief peace negotiator Tzipi Livni but no official response from the Israeli government.

"The root of the conflict is not territorial. It started a long time before 1967," Netanyahu said in a meeting with foreign ministry officials, referring to the year Israel seized Gaza, the West Bank and east Jerusalem during the Six-Day War.

"You saw what happened when we left the Gaza Strip. We evacuated the last settlers and what did we get? Missiles," he said of Israel's withdrawal from the enclave in 2005.

"The Palestinians' lack of will to recognise the state of Israel as the national state of the Jewish people is the root of the conflict," he said, in remarks communicated by a senior government source.

## 24 rescued after China bridge 'tilted': report

BEIJING (AFP) - At least 24 people were rescued after a suspension bridge "tilted" and sent them falling into a river in central China late Wednesday, state media reported.

Around 40 people returning from a party in a popular tourist town in Fenghuang county, Hunan Province, were on the bridge at the time it "suddenly tilted" at 9:10 pm, and some of the group includ-

ing children and elderly people fell into the water, according to the Xinhua news agency.

Local government officials told Xinhua that search and rescue efforts were ongoing to ensure no others were left behind after 24 people were rescued.

Authorities in the region have instructed hotels in Fenghuang to check that their guests had returned for the night, Xinhua said.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

## US 'deeply concerned' by brawl in Venezuela assembly



Opposition deputy Julio Borges is pictured after a fight inside the Venezuelan parliament, in Caracas on Tuesday.

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The United States said Wednesday it was "deeply concerned" by a brawl in Venezuela's parliament, urging calm in the wake of the country's disputed presidential elections.

Political tensions boiled over in the National Assembly Tuesday as government and opposition lawmakers clashed physically.

"Let me speak clearly: violence has no place in a representative, democratic system and is particularly inappropriate within a National Assembly," US State Department spokesman Patrick Ventrell told reporters in Washington.

"We're deeply concerned by the violence that occurred, express our solidarity with those injured and again we

urge all parties to refrain from acts and attitudes which contribute to physical confrontation."

He added that "the rights of all Venezuelans to assemble and speak their minds are essential components of democracy."

President Nicolas Maduro was declared the winner of the April 14 vote to replace the late Hugo Chavez as Venezuela's leader.

But opposition candidate Henrique Capriles has claimed widespread voter fraud and announced Wednesday that his campaign will formally contest the results in a Supreme Court filing.

Ventrell also reiterated Washington's request for a vote recount.

## IMF approves \$932 mn loan for Jamaica

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The International Monetary Fund's executive board approved a \$932 million loan program Monday for Jamaica aimed at helping the government begin cutting its borrowings and spark economic growth.

The loan is part of a \$2 billion package from the IMF, the World Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank that aims to support a sweeping restructuring program for the impoverished Caribbean island nation.

For its part, the IMF was immediately releasing an initial disbursement of \$207 million from the four-year loan.

"The main objective of the program is to put public debt on a firmly downward trajec-

tory and thereby create a virtuous cycle of debt sustainability and higher economic growth," IMF First Deputy Managing Director David Lipton said in a statement.

"For most of the past three decades, Jamaica has suffered from very low growth, high public debt, and serious social challenges. Key factors behind these problems have been Jamaica's unsustainable debt burden, low competitiveness, a weak business climate and lack of policy credibility."

The package was sealed after the government undertook initial reform steps, including a domestic debt swap, to improve its finances and demonstrate its commitment to the program.

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## US holds what could be last Green Card lottery

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Around 100,000 people were chosen from several million Wednesday to get a head-start on a US Green Card, in what could be the last such annual lottery, slated to vanish under proposed reforms.

Created in 1995, the lottery system leads to the awarding of 50,000 permanent residency permits each year to people from countries that send relatively few emigrants to the United States.

But it has long been in the crosshairs of US Republican lawmakers, who control the House of Representatives and have included a plan to scrap it in the comprehensive immigration reforms currently being debated in Congress.

A final vote on the reforms is not expected before this summer, but if they pass, the so-called diversity visas would vanish from next year.

This year's crop of hopefuls did not know when they applied that this might be their last chance, as would-be immigrants had to file a free online application in October 2012.

From 1600 GMT on Wednesday, the candidates were finally able to check their status on the government website [www.dvlottery.state.gov](http://www.dvlottery.state.gov), using their personal confirmation number.

Some 100,000 names were

selected in a first round, because not everyone will complete the process for a visa, and a maximum of 50,000 Green Cards will ultimately be given out.

In last year's lottery, 7.9 million people, with 4.6 million spouses and children, submitted applications.

More than 18,000 Africans got Green Cards through the lottery the year before, the most from any continent. Half of the lottery is reserved for applicants from Africa, who could now lose out.

The proposed reforms massively increase the number of Green Cards and visas allocated to highly qualified workers -- and, in particular, students like

Assayag, getting degrees in science, technology, engineering, and math.

The winners of this year's lottery will be given interviews from October, where they will have to show proof of a high school diploma or at least two years of work experience, as required under the program.

Countries that sent more than 50,000 immigrants to the United States in the past five years are excluded from the lottery.

This year that includes a range of countries, including Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, mainland China, Mexico, Pakistan, South Korea, and Britain, except Northern Ireland.



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### US approves morning-after pill for age 15 and up



WASHINGTON (AFP) - US regulators have approved a brand of emergency contraception for those age 15 and up without a prescription, defying a judge's order to make the morning-after pill available to all ages.

The decision by the US Food and Drug Administration to allow Plan B One-Step to be sold over the counter to some teens without a doctor's order did not go as far as a federal judge directed last month after a more than decade-long court fight.

Until now, emergency contraception has been available by prescription only to those under 17, and was for sale only behind pharmacy counters.

FDA Commissioner Margaret Hamburg said the latest decision was based on a review of data submitted by the Pennsylvania-based pharmaceutical company Teva showed that women age 15 and older were able to understand how it works without the

intervention of a health care provider.

The ruling applies to only one brand of emergency contraception, and requires that it be security-tagged to avoid theft and only sold over the counter in stores that have a pharmacy.

Nancy Northup, president and CEO of the Center for Reproductive Rights, said the FDA's ruling does not go far enough and vowed to press on with the legal effort to make all brands of emergency contraception readily available.

"Lowering the age restriction to 15 for over-the-counter access to Plan B One-Step may reduce delays for some young women. But it does nothing to address the significant barriers that far too many women of all ages will still find if they arrive at the drugstore without identification or after the pharmacy gates have been closed for the night or weekend," she said.

Levonorgestrel-based emergency contraception contains the same active ingredients as birth control pills but at higher doses, and may prevent pregnancy if taken within 72 hours after unprotected intercourse.

## Pope calls for 'social justice' against unemployment

VATICAN CITY (AFP) - Pope Francis yesterday urged political leaders to make every effort to create jobs and said unemployment was caused by economic thinking "outside the bounds of social justice."

"I call on politicians to make every effort to relaunch the labour market," the Argentine pope told thousands of followers at his weekly general audience in St Peter's Square, which coincides with May Day demonstrations around the world.

"Work is fundamental for dignity," he said.

"I think of labour market difficulties in various countries. I think of people, not just young people, who are unemployed often because of an economic conception of society based on selfish profit outside the bounds of social justice," he said.

Pope Francis also condemned as "slave labour" the conditions for hundreds of



Bangladesh demonstrations rallied against unfair work conditions

workers killed in a factory collapse in Bangladesh and urged political leaders to fight unemployment in a sweeping critique of "selfish profit".

The pope said he had been particularly struck by a headline saying workers at the factory near Dhaka were being paid just 38 euros (\$50) a month.

"This is called slave labour!" the pope was quoted by Vatican radio as saying in

his homily at a private mass in his residence to mark May Day.

More than 400 workers have been confirmed dead and scores are missing in the collapse, which occurred in a suburb of the capital Dhaka last week in the country's worst-ever industrial disaster.

"Today in the world this slavery is being committed against something beautiful that God has given us -- the ca-

capacity to create, to work, to have dignity," the pope said at the mass.

"How many brothers and sisters find themselves in this situation!" he said, as protesters in May Day demonstrations around the world rallied against unfair work conditions and unemployment.

"Not paying fairly, not giving a job because you are only looking at balance sheets, only looking at how to make a profit. That goes against God!" the pope said in his strongly-worded address.

The Argentine pope, formerly the archbishop of Buenos Aires Jorge Bergoglio, became a powerful voice on the side of the poor during his homeland's devastating economic crisis.

Since being elected pontiff in March, he has repeatedly called for the Roman Catholic Church to be closer to the needy and has said he wants "a poor Church for the poor".

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## New material to soak up oil spills?



PARIS (AFP) - Scientists said Tuesday they had manufactured a lightweight and reusable material that can absorb up to 33 times its weight in certain chemicals -- a possible new tool against water pollution.

The team made nanosheets of boron nitride, also called white graphene, that were able to soak up a wide range of spilt oils, chemical solvents and dyes such as those discharged by the textile, paper and tannery industries.

Highly porous, the sheets have a high surface area, can float on water and are water-repellent, the team from France and Australia wrote in the journal Nature Communications.

Once the white sheets are dropped on an oil-polluted water surface "they immediately absorb the brown oil and become dark brown," they wrote.

"This process is very fast; after just 2 minutes, all oil has

been taken up by the nanosheets."

Once saturated, the sheets can be easily picked up from the water surface and cleaned by burning, heating or washing to be reused several times.

Materials such as activated carbon or natural fibres commonly used to counter spills generally have a much lower absorption than their newly-created material, the authors wrote.

Other materials with high absorption have been manufactured -- but proved difficult to recycle.

"The new material and related technology will have (an) important impact on environmental protection," study co-author Ian Chen of Australia's Deakin University told AFP by email.

Nanostructured materials like white graphene are composed of structural elements, clusters of atoms, of between one and 100 nanometres (a billionth of a metre) big.

## Sci-Tech

### Videogames slow, reverse 'mental decay': study

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Playing videogames can prevent and even reverse deteriorating brain functions such as memory, reasoning and visual processing, according to a study released Wednesday.

The University of Iowa study of hundreds of people age 50 and older found that those who played a videogame were able to improve a range of cognitive skills, and reverse up to seven years of age-related declines.

The study is the latest in a series of research projects examining why people, as they age, lose "executive function" of the brain, which is needed for memory, attention, perception and problem solving.

Wolinsky and colleagues separated 681 generally healthy patients in Iowa into four groups. Each of those was split into segments with people 50 to 64 years of age and those over age 65.

One group was given computerized crossword puzzles, while three other groups were asked to play a videogame called "Road Tour," which revolves around identifying a type of vehicle displayed fleetingly on a license plate.

Participants were asked to re-identify the vehicle type and match it with a road sign displayed from a circular array of possibilities.

The player must succeed at least three out of every four tries to advance to the next level, which speeds up the vehicle identification and adds more distractions.

The groups that played the game at least 10 hours, either at home or in a lab at the university, gained at least three years of cognitive improvement when tested after one year.

A group that got four additional hours of training with the game did even better, improving their cognitive abilities by four years, according to the study.

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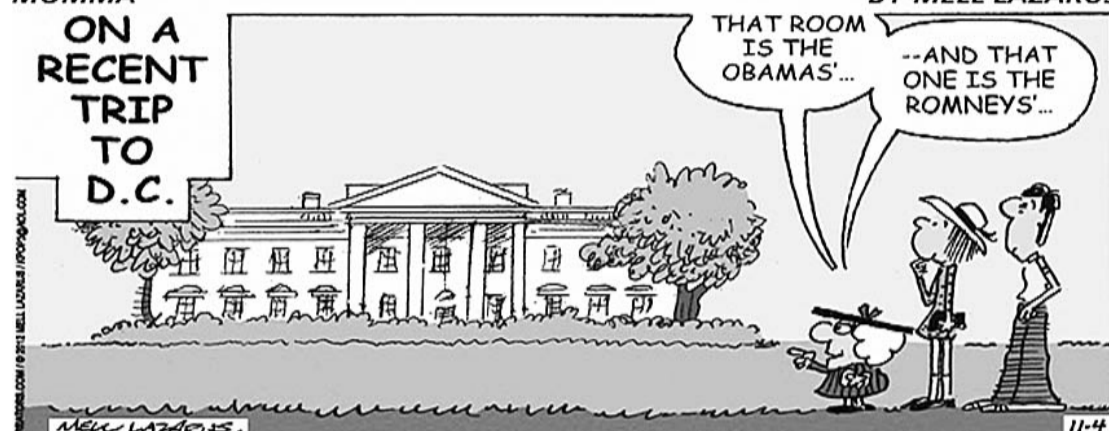
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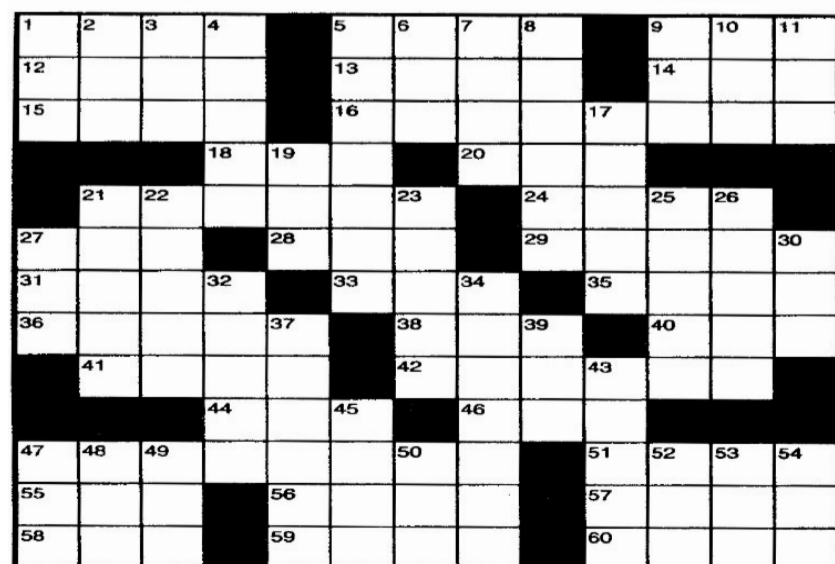
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13. Lobster limb
14. Bridge action
15. Word on a diet-food package
16. Spree
18. Swiss peak
20. Piece (out)
21. Gem weights

24. Western lawman Wyatt
27. Uppermost part
28. Enthusiasm
29. Shovel
31. "Life \_\_\_\_ Father"
33. A Reiner
35. TV emcee
36. Those opposed
38. Large coffeepot
40. Subway stop (abbr.)
41. Categorize
42. Seer's cards
44. One (Ger.)
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51. \_\_\_\_-steven

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4. Blur
5. Sovereign's baton
6. Capone and Gore
7. Human \_\_\_\_
8. Rouses from sleep
9. Business- person's deg.
10. Give help
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17. Fruit like a nectarine, but fuzzy
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21. Change purse's contents
22. Tending toward (2 wds.)
23. Teapot part
25. Rule the \_\_\_\_
26. Columns
27. Former airline
30. Bake sale gp.
32. Took on
34. Created cornrows
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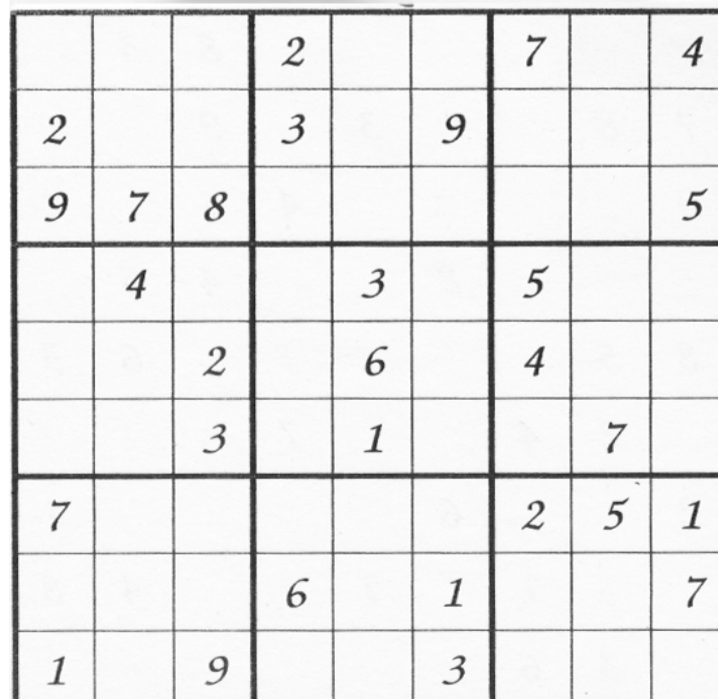
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## Finance

### Android fuels surge in global tablet sales: survey



WASHINGTON (AFP) - Global sales of tablet computers surged in the first quarter of 2013, led by Android-powered devices that outpaced gains by Apple's iPads, a research firm said Wednesday.

IDC said the worldwide tablet market saw sizzling growth of 142.4 percent compared to the same period a year ago, with shipments hitting 49.2 million units in the first three months of 2013.

The figure surpassed that of the entire first half of 2012, and was driven by strong demand for smaller-screen devices, such as the iPad mini and Google Nexus 7.

Apple remained the largest single vendor, but its market share slipped to 39.6 percent, from 43.6 percent in the fourth

quarter, IDC said, because of slower growth than its rivals using Google's Android operating system.

IDC figures showed Android accounted for 56.5 percent of tablet sales, with red-hot gains of 247 percent for the year.

Microsoft's entry in the market, Surface, produced modest sales of 900,000 in the quarter, including its basic Surface RT and Surface Pro version, according to IDC.

Overall, Windows-powered tablets accounted for sales of 1.8 million, or 3.7 percent of the overall market, the survey showed.

IDC said Apple outperformed its most recent projections for the quarter, shipping 19.5 million units, growth of 65 percent over the year, helped by its iPad mini.

But Samsung produced growth of 282 percent, grabbing a market share of 17.9 percent, IDC said. Taiwan-based Asus, which makes the Google Nexus 7 tablet, moved into third place with a 5.5 percent market share and 350 percent growth.

That dropped Amazon and its Kindle line of tablets, which use a version of Android, to fourth place with a share of 3.7 percent.

### World growth still too slow to generate jobs: IMF official

NEW DELHI (AFP) - The world economy is not growing fast enough to generate jobs for millions who have become unemployed due to the financial crisis but it is gaining strength gradually, a top IMF official said Wednesday.

While global growth is seen at 3.3 percent in 2013 and four percent next year, this masks a significant divergence in prospects, said Naoyuki Shinohara, deputy managing director of the International Monetary Fund.

The world is seeing a "three-speed" global recovery without "enough growth to generate jobs for the millions who have fallen into unemployment over the past five years", Shinohara told a gathering of diplomats and business people.

Creating jobs must be "an overarching issue" as it goes to the heart of the global economic crisis that is "falling disproportionately on young people", he said in a speech in New Delhi.

The IMF official's address came amid May Day protests in Europe against punishing gov-

ernment austerity drives and followed official figures Tuesday showing European unemployment hit a record of over 19 million.

Shinohara said the best performing economies were in the emerging and developing countries, with Asia expected to grow by an average 7.1 percent this year and sub-Saharan Africa forecast to expand by 5.6 percent.

Other nations are on the mend such as the United States, seen expanding by two percent in 2013, but he said recovery in the eurozone "remains elusive" with growth expected to contract by a quarter of a percentage point.

While US corporate balance sheets and house prices are improving, expansion is not robust enough to significantly lower unemployment, he said.

He added the US government's "sequestration" efforts to slash spending involving \$85 billion in budget cuts will result in "too much short-term fiscal consolidation" while a longterm cost reduction roadmap is lack-

ing.

Shinohara, a former senior Japanese finance official, welcomed Tokyo's new aggressive monetary easing aimed at ending a generation of almost zero growth, saying "it's good to see Japan forging a new strategy".

He projected Japanese expansion of 1.6 percent this year but warned the nation's high public debt and fiscal stimulus without a plan for spending consolidation later "raises the spectre of unsustainable debt" down the road.

Sounding downbeat on the eurozone, he said weakness is "now extending to core countries" such as France whose economy is seen shrinking slightly while Germany will grow by just 0.6 percent. Spain and Italy, meanwhile "will experience substantial contractions".

Structural labour market reforms are taking place as the economies struggle to regain competitiveness, Shinohara said, but "the pain" of austerity measures has the potential to lead to backtracking.



MANAGUS - A supporter of the ruling Sandinista party wears a T-shirt with an image of the late Venezuelan president Hugo Chavez during May Day celebrations in Managua. In Europe young people took to the streets for traditional May Day parades to vent their anger and call for an end to austerity policies that they say are wrecking their futures.

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King Willem-Alexander of the Netherlands (C, L) and his wife Queen Maxima (C, R) pose for a family photo with members of the royal household, heads of state and government and special guests at the Royal Palace in Amsterdam after the Inauguration of the Netherlands new King.



King Willem Alexander, Queen Maxima and their daughters Princess Catharina Amalia, Princess Ariane and Princess Alexia of the Netherlands appear on the balcony of the Royal Palace to greet the public after the abdication of Queen Beatrix of The Netherlands and ahead of the Inauguration of King Willem Alexander of The Netherlands.



Aruba's PM Mike Eman with wife Doina, attending a gala dinner at the city's landmark Rijksmuseum on Monday



HRH Princess Beatrix of the Netherlands kisses her son HM King Willem-Alexander of the Netherlands on the balcony of the Royal Palace to greet the public after the abdication of Queen Beatrix of The Netherlands



King Willem-Alexander and wife Queen Maxima at The Royal Palace in Amsterdam to attend a dinner hosted by Queen Beatrix of The Netherlands ahead of her abdication at the Rijksmuseum on April 29.

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## SPORTS

### Cycling: Rujano dropped by Vacansoleil as precaution



PARIS (AFP) - Venezuelan climber Jose Rujano has been dropped from the Vacansoleil team for the Tour of Italy, which starts in Naples on Saturday, as a precaution due to his implication in a doping case.

Rujano, who finished third at the Giro in 2005, was named in an inquiry into a doping case in Italy relating to 2009 and 2010.

Vacansoleil say he has not taken a banned substance but they preferred to play it safe.

"The products concerning Rujano are not on the banned list. If we stick to the rules, he could race, but we preferred

not to take a risk," the Dutch team's manager Daan Luijckx said.

The 31-year-old has been replaced by Belgian debutant Willem Wauters.

Meanwhile, former top-five finisher in the Tour de France Robert Gesink will lead the Blanco team.

The 26-year-old climbing specialist, who has finished in the top 10 three times at the Tour of Spain, has been given a goal of finishing in the top five in Italy, his team said.

Former Tour de France winner Cadel Evans of Australia will be part of the BMC team.

### Boxing: Harrison retires from boxing

LONDON (AFP) - Olympic gold medallist Audley Harrison said Wednesday he was retiring from professional boxing following his latest loss.

The 41-year-old Briton suffered a first round knockout by Deontay Wilder of the United States in Sheffield, northern England, on Saturday.

"There are only so many times you can fall before it becomes foolhardy to continue," said Harrison, whose professional career failed to build on the promise he showed as an amateur boxer.

He won his first 19 bouts without much fuss although he was already starting to attract negative headlines for the quality of opposition he was facing.

Harrison became the first British boxer to win an Olympic gold medal in the super-heavyweight category at the 2000 Games in Sydney and, as a pro, did challenge for a world title.

### Tennis: Ferrer toughs it out to reach last eight

OEIRAS (AFP) - Top seed David Ferrer had to dig deep to reach the quarter-finals at the ATP Portugal Open on Wednesday finally overcoming Frenchman Eduardo Roger-Vasselin 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

The 31-year-old Spaniard, who was beaten in his opening match at last week's Barcelona Open, will play Romanian journeyman Victor Hanesu, who accounted for sixth-seeded Frenchman Benoit Paire 7-6 (7/2), 6-4.

Ferrer, who missed the Monte Carlo Masters after injuring a thigh in the final of the Miami tournament in March, is looking to get some valuable court time prior to the French Open later this month.

The Spaniard had looked to be cruising to victory when he led by a set and 4-2 in the second but then lost his concentration.

Ferrer, who has not played here since 2009, took nearly two hours to subdue his feisty French opponent, serving four double-faults and being broken three times.

He was brought in as a late replacement for Argentine Juan Martin Del Potro, the holder who could not play at their edition due to a stomach

virus.

Despite his recent setbacks, world number four Ferrer stands a formidable 26-6 since the start of the year having won the titles in Auckland (hard) and Buenos Aires (clay) before finishing runner-up to Nadal in Acapulco on clay in February and then losing to Andy Murray in Miami.

In the women's draw, two-time grand slam winner Svetlana Kuznetsova reached her first quarter-final since the Australian Open when she beat Kazakh Galina Voskoboeva 6-4, 6-4.

Kuznetsova, ranked 45 in the world and a wild card entry, said that while she was happy to win, she was not particularly impressed with how she got through over her rival, who is ranked 117th.

The Spanish-trained Russian who now lives in her homeland but says she still needs Spanish-style coaching, will play Romina Oprandi, who beat China's Peng Shuai 6-1, 6-3, in the quarter-finals.

Kuznetsova has won all three meetings with the Swiss, but they last played seven years ago.

RIO DE JANEIRO (AFP) - People look at a demonstrator outside the Mario Filho --Maracana-- stadium during a protest against Maracana's privatization and the demolition of the former Indigenous Museum, at the time that a test event is taking place inside, in Rio de Janeiro on weekend. The Maracana will host the upcoming Confederations Cup --next June-- the Brazil 2014 FIFA World Cup and the 2016 Summer Olympics.



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## NBA: Nuggets hold off Warriors while Grizzlies beat Clippers

DENVER (AFP) - The Denver Nuggets kept their NBA playoff hopes alive but touched off a controversy over dirty tactics Tuesday while the Memphis Grizzlies moved one victory shy of reaching the second round.

Andre Iguodala scored 25 points and grabbed 12 rebounds as Denver downed Golden State 107-100, but Warriors coach Mark Jackson accused the Nuggets of deliberately trying to injure Warriors star Stephen Curry to raise tensions.

The Nuggets pulled within 3-2 of the Warriors in the best-of-seven playoff series, which continues today at Golden

State. The series winner will face West top seed San Antonio in the second round of the playoffs.

In Tuesday's other Western Conference game, Zach Randolph scored 25 points and added 11 rebounds while Spaniard Marc Gasol had 21 points as the Grizzlies beat the Los Angeles Clippers 103-93 to take a 3-2 lead in their series.

Clippers playmaker Blake Griffin left the game in the third quarter with a high right ankle sprain, leaving his status in doubt for game six Friday at Memphis.

At Denver, Wilson Chandler and Ty Lawson added 19 points each for the Nuggets, who had six double-digit scorers, while Harrison Barnes led

the Warriors with 23 points, Jarrett Jack added 20 and Klay Thompson netted 19.

Curry scored only 15 points on 7-of-19 shooting. Jackson said a screen set at the free throw line in the first half was a bid to hurt Curry's ankle.

Jackson also hinted that someone in the Nuggets' camp was telling him there was an intent to injure.

Iguodala said he felt he took the hardest hit in the series earlier when Australian center Andrew Bogut ran into him and added that the Warriors started the bumping in the series.

Asked about the fouls, Golden State's Jack said only, "It felt like good defense. We're a battle-tested bunch. Nothing can get us out of our

rhythm."

The Nuggets led by as much as 22 points in the second quarter on the way to a 66-46 half-time lead. The Warriors unleashed a 14-2 run in the third quarter but Denver answered with a 12-4 run to lead 86-69 entering the fourth quarter.

Undaunted, Golden State responded in the final period with an 18-4 spurt that pulled the Warriors within 96-91 before Kenneth Faried's slam dunk ended a drought of 4:20 without a basket from the field for the Nuggets.

Twice more the Warriors pulled within five points only to have Chandler connect on a 3-pointer from the right corner to give Denver a 103-95 lead.

After a Golden State free throw, Iguodala added a slam

dunk and Denver held off the Warriors over the final seconds.

At Los Angeles, Clippers star Chris Paul matched a career playoff high 35 points in a losing cause.

Memphis closed the second quarter with a 16-5 run for a 54-48 half-time edge.

An 11-0 Memphis run early in the third quarter produced the Grizzlies' biggest lead of the game at 65-52 lead before the Clippers pulled within 73-65 entering the fourth quarter.

The Clippers pulled within 91-86 late but Tayshaun Prince answered with a 3-pointer for Memphis and Los Angeles never came within six points again.

Randolph scored 10 points in the fourth quarter while Gasol added eight.

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## Gay US basketball player wins Obama's support



WASHINGTON (AFP) - With President Barack Obama praising his courage, NBA center Jason Collins was awestruck on Tuesday after becoming the first major US professional team sport athlete to reveal he is gay. "Not even in my wildest dreams could I ever imagine the support that I've received," Collins told ABC television in his first interview since revealing his sexuality on Monday in an essay for Sports Illustrated. Obama, who telephoned Collins to express his support on Monday, called the overwhelming support for the seven-foot (2.13m) veteran of 12 NBA seasons a sign of growing acceptance of homosexuality in American society. "I told him I couldn't be prouder," Obama said at a White House news conference.

## NBA: Bucks dismiss head coach Boylan



MILWAUKEE (AFP) - A run to the first round of the NBA playoffs wasn't enough to keep Milwaukee interim head coach Jim Boylan at the helm of the Bucks.

The team said Wednesday that Boylan, who was promoted to interim head coach on January 8 after Scott Skiles and the Bucks parted ways, wouldn't return.

"We appreciate Jim's efforts

not only in his time as head coach, but in his entire tenure as a coach in Milwaukee."

The Bucks compiled a 22-28 record under Boylan and made the playoffs as the eighth and final seed in the Eastern Conference.

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Boylan, 58, had been the lead assistant coach for the Bucks the past four seasons.

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## Football: Bayern destroy Barca again, cruise to final



Robben celebrating with team mates

BARCELONA (AFP) - Bayern Munich cruised into their third Champions League final in four years as a 3-0 win over Barcelona at the Camp Nou on Wednesday gave them an incredible 7-0 aggregate semi-final victory.

The absence of Lionel Messi from the Barca starting line-up almost eradicated any hope of an unlikely comeback before the game had even begun, but Bayern showed their 4-0 first-leg win last week had been no fluke with a display of controlled dominance.

Arjen Robben opened the scoring for the visitors with a trademark left-foot strike just after half-time before a Gerard Pique own-goal and Thomas Mueller's header in the final 20 minutes ensured Bayern booked their place in an all-German final against Borussia Dortmund at Wembley on May 25 in some style.

Afterwards Pique admitted it was one of the most diffi-

cult nights he has had in his five years at the club.

"Perhaps it was the bitterest night I have had at Barcelona," he told Spanish Canal Plus television.

"We tried but they scored a goal very early in the second half and this left us broken. The last 25 minutes were very difficult."

For Robben meanwhile it

was unconfined joy as he aims to make amends at Wembley for missing a penalty that could have won Bayern the trophy on home soil against Chelsea last season.

Already without Sergio Busquets and Jordi Alba through injury and suspension respectively, Barca were handed another huge blow before kick-off as the persist-

ence of a hamstring injury suffered in the first leg of their quarter-final tie against Paris Saint-Germain forced Messi to start on the bench.

Without their talisman, Barca started tentatively and only a desperate sliding challenge from Pique prevented Robben from having a clear shot on goal after he galloped clear down the left on 11 min

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